

LONG TIME EXISTENCE OF THE SYMPLECTIC MEAN CURVATURE FLOW

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ABSTRACT. Let (M, \bar{g}) be a Kähler surface with a constant holomorphic sectional curvature $k > 0$, and Σ an immersed symplectic surface in M . Suppose Σ evolves along the mean curvature flow in M . In this paper, we show that the symplectic mean curvature flow exists for long time and converges to a holomorphic curve if the initial surface satisfies $|A|^2 \leq \frac{2}{3}|H|^2 + \frac{1}{2}k$ and $\cos \alpha \geq \frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}$ or $|A|^2 \leq \frac{2}{3}|H|^2 + \frac{4}{5}k \cos \alpha$ and $\cos \alpha \geq \frac{251}{265}$.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let M be a Kähler surface. Let ω be the Kähler form on M and let J be a complex structure compatible with ω . The Riemannian metric \bar{g} on M is defined by

$$\bar{g}(U, V) = \omega(U, JV).$$

For a compact oriented real surface Σ which is smoothly immersed in M , the kähler angle [6] α of Σ in M was defined by

$$\omega|_{\Sigma} = \cos \alpha d\mu_{\Sigma}$$

where $d\mu_{\Sigma}$ is the area element of Σ in the induced metric from \bar{g} . We say that Σ is a symplectic surface if $\cos \alpha > 0$. The problem is whether one can deform a symplectic surface to a holomorphic curve ($\cos \alpha \equiv 1$) in a Kähler surface. One way is to use mean curvature flows (c.f. [2], [19], and [9]), the other way is to use variational method [10]. Chen-Tian [5], Chen-Li [2] and Wang [19] proved that, in a Kähler-Einstein surface, if the initial surface is symplectic, then along the mean curvature flow, at every time t the surface Σ_t is symplectic, which we call a symplectic mean curvature flow. They also showed that, there is no type I singularity along a symplectic mean curvature flow. The symplectic mean curvature flow exists globally and converges at infinity in graphic cases (c.f. [4], and [20]). Han-Li [9] proved that, in a Kähler-Einstein surface with positive scalar curvature, if the initial surface is sufficiently close to a holomorphic curve, the symplectic mean curvature flow exists globally and converges to a holomorphic curve at infinity. The second type singularity was also studied by Chen-Li [3], Han-Li [11], Neves [14], Neves-Tian [15], etc.

Even though one thinks the mean curvature flows may produce minimal surfaces, there are rather few results on the global existence and convergence to a minimal surface at infinity of the mean curvature flows.

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In this paper, we consider the case that $M = \mathbf{CP}^2$, i.e. (M, \bar{g}) is a Kähler surface with constant holomorphic sectional curvature $k > 0$. We find the condition that $|A|^2 \leq \frac{2}{3}|H|^2 + \frac{1}{2}k$ and $\cos \alpha \geq \frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}$ or $|A|^2 \leq \frac{2}{3}|H|^2 + \frac{4}{5}k \cos \alpha$ and $\cos \alpha \geq \frac{251}{265}$ is preserved by the mean curvature flow, and consequently, we show that the symplectic mean curvature flow exists for long time and converges to a holomorphic curve at infinity if the initial surface satisfies one of the conditions. As we know that it is the first long time existence and convergence result without graphic structure or small initial data conditions. The main point is to find the pinching condition in our theorem, which was inspired by Andrews-Baker [1] and Huisken [8].

We believe that, *the symplectic mean curvature flow exists globally and converges to a holomorphic curve at infinity in a Kähler-Einstein surface with positive scalar curvature.*

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2. PRELIMINARIES

Suppose that Σ is submanifold in a Riemannian manifold M , we choose an orthonormal basis $\{e_i\}$ for $T\Sigma$ and $\{e_\alpha\}$ for $N\Sigma$. Recall the evolution equation for the second fundamental form h_{ij}^α and $|A|^2$ along the mean curvature flow, (see [2], [16], [19])

Lemma 2.1. *For a mean curvature flow $F : \Sigma \times [0, t_0) \rightarrow M$, the second fundamental form h_{ij}^α satisfies the following equation*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} h_{ij}^\alpha &= \Delta h_{ij}^\alpha + (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial_k} K)_{\alpha i j k} + (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial_j} K)_{\alpha k i k} \\ &\quad - 2K_{li j k} h_{lk}^\alpha + 2K_{\alpha \beta j k} h_{ik}^\beta + 2K_{\alpha \beta i k} h_{jk}^\beta \\ &\quad - K_{lk i k} h_{lj}^\alpha - K_{lk j k} h_{il}^\alpha + K_{\alpha k \beta k} h_{ij}^\beta \\ &\quad - H^\beta (h_{ik}^\beta h_{jk}^\alpha + h_{jk}^\beta h_{ik}^\alpha) \\ &\quad + h_{im}^\alpha h_{mk}^\beta h_{kj}^\beta - 2h_{im}^\beta h_{mk}^\alpha h_{kj}^\beta + h_{ik}^\beta h_{km}^\beta h_{mj}^\alpha \\ &\quad + h_{km}^\alpha h_{mk}^\beta h_{ij}^\beta + h_{ij}^\beta \langle e_\beta, \bar{\nabla}_H e_\alpha \rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

where K_{ABCD} is the curvature tensor of M and $\bar{\nabla}$ is the covariant derivative of M . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |A|^2 &= \Delta |A|^2 - 2|\nabla A|^2 + [(\bar{\nabla}_{\partial_k} K)_{\alpha i j k} + (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial_j} K)_{\alpha k i k}] h_{ij}^\alpha \\ &\quad - 4K_{li j k} h_{lk}^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha + 8K_{\alpha \beta j k} h_{ik}^\beta h_{ij}^\alpha - 4K_{lk i k} h_{lj}^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha + 2K_{\alpha k \beta k} h_{ij}^\beta h_{ij}^\alpha \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta, i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^\alpha h_{jk}^\beta - h_{jk}^\alpha h_{ik}^\beta) \right)^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left(\sum_{ij} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ij}^\beta \right)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

Corollary 2.2. *Along the mean curvature flow, the mean curvature vector satisfies*

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} |H|^2 = \Delta |H|^2 - 2|\nabla H|^2 + 2K_{\alpha k \beta k} H^\alpha H^\beta + 2 \sum_{ij} \left(\sum_\alpha H^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha \right)^2. \quad (2.3)$$

Suppose that M is a compact Kähler surface. Let Σ be a smooth surface in M . The Kähler angle of Σ in M is defined by ([6])

$$\omega|_{\Sigma} = \cos \alpha d\mu_{\Sigma}$$

where $d\mu_{\Sigma}$ is the area element of Σ of the induced metric from \bar{g} . We call Σ a *symplectic* surface if $\cos \alpha > 0$, a *Lagrangian* surface if $\cos \alpha \equiv 0$, a *holomorphic curve* if $\cos \alpha \equiv 1$. Recall the evolution equation of $\cos \alpha$ ([2], [19]),

Lemma 2.3. *Along the mean curvature flow, $\cos \alpha$ satisfies*

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) \cos \alpha = |\bar{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \cos \alpha + \text{Ric}(J e_1, e_2) \sin^2 \alpha. \quad (2.4)$$

where $|\bar{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 = |h_{1k}^3 - h_{2k}^4|^2 + |h_{2k}^3 + h_{1k}^4|^2$, $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$ is any orthonormal basis for TM such that $\{e_1, e_2\}$ is the basis for $T\Sigma$ and $\{e_3, e_4\}$ is the basis for $N\Sigma$.

It is proved in [2] and [10] that

$$|\bar{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \geq \frac{1}{2} |H|^2 \quad (2.5)$$

and

$$|\nabla \cos \alpha|^2 \leq \sin^2 \alpha |\bar{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2. \quad (2.6)$$

Now suppose M is a Kähler surface with constant holomorphic sectional curvature k , then from Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.3 in [21], we have

Lemma 2.4. *M has a curvature tensor of the form*

$$K_{kjih} = -\frac{k}{4} [(g_{kh}g_{ji} - g_{jh}g_{ki}) + (J_{kh}J_{ji} - J_{jh}J_{ki}) - 2J_{kj}J_{ih}]. \quad (2.7)$$

Thus M is symmetric. Furthermore, M is Einstein

$$K_{ji} = \frac{3}{2} k \bar{g}_{ij}. \quad (2.8)$$

3. PINCHING ESTIMATE

In this section we want to show our pinching inequality is preserved by the symplectic mean curvature flow. Before proving our theorem, we deduce the local expression of the complex structure of the Kähler surface. Let M be a Kähler surface with the Kähler metric \bar{g} and Σ be a real surface in M . Suppose ω is the associated Kähler form and J is the complex structure compatible with \bar{g} and ω , i.e.,

$$\omega(X, Y) = \bar{g}(JX, Y) = \langle JX, Y \rangle$$

for any $X, Y \in TM$. Fix $p \in M$. We choose the local frame of M around p $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$ such that $\{e_1, e_2\}$ is the frame of the tangent bundle $T\Sigma$ and $\{e_3, e_4\}$ is the frame of the normal bundle $N\Sigma$. Suppose

$$J e_1 = x e_2 + y e_3 + z e_4.$$

Then using $\langle JX, Y \rangle = -\langle X, JY \rangle$ and

$$-e_1 = x J e_2 + y J e_3 + z J e_4,$$

we have

$$\begin{cases} x\langle Je_2, e_4 \rangle + y\langle Je_3, e_4 \rangle = 0 \\ x\langle Je_2, e_3 \rangle - z\langle Je_3, e_4 \rangle = 0 \\ -y\langle Je_2, e_3 \rangle - z\langle Je_2, e_4 \rangle = 0 \end{cases}.$$

Suppose $y \neq 0$. Set $\langle Je_2, e_4 \rangle = A$. Then we have

$$\langle Je_2, e_3 \rangle = -\frac{z}{y}A, \quad \langle Je_3, e_4 \rangle = -\frac{x}{y}A.$$

Thus

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y & z \\ -x & 0 & -\frac{z}{y}A & A \\ -y & \frac{z}{y}A & 0 & -\frac{x}{y}A \\ -z & -A & \frac{x}{y}A & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

As J is isometric, we have

$$\begin{cases} x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1 \\ x^2 + (\frac{z}{y})^2 A^2 + A^2 = 1 \end{cases},$$

we can obtain that $A^2 = y^2$, i.e., $A = \pm y$. Thus we see that

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y & z \\ -x & 0 & -z & y \\ -y & z & 0 & -x \\ -z & -y & x & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.1)$$

or

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x & y & z \\ -x & 0 & z & -y \\ -y & -z & 0 & x \\ -z & y & -x & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.2)$$

If $y = 0$, then by the same argument we can see that J also has the form (3.1) or (3.2). By the definition of the Kähler angle, we know that

$$x = \cos \alpha = \omega(e_1, e_2) = \langle Je_1, e_2 \rangle.$$

If we assume the Kähler form is anti-self-dual, then J has the form (3.2).

We begin by estimating the gradient terms:

Lemma 3.1. *For any $\eta > 0$ we have the inequality*

$$|\nabla A|^2 \geq (\frac{3}{n+2} - \eta)|\nabla H|^2 - \frac{2}{n+2}(\frac{2}{n+2}\eta^{-1} - \frac{n}{n-1})|w|^2, \quad (3.3)$$

where $w_i^\alpha = \sum_l K_{\alpha l i}$, $|w^\alpha|^2 = \sum_i |w_i^\alpha|^2$ and $|w|^2 = \sum_\alpha |w^\alpha|^2$.

Proof. Similar as [7] and [8] we decompose the tensor ∇A into

$$\nabla_i h_{jk}^\alpha = E_{ijk}^\alpha + F_{ijk}^\alpha,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} E_{ijk}^\alpha &= \frac{1}{n+2}(\nabla_i H^\alpha \cdot g_{jk} + \nabla_j H^\alpha \cdot g_{ik} + \nabla_k H^\alpha \cdot g_{ij}) \\ &\quad - \frac{2}{(n+2)(n-1)}w_i^\alpha g_{jk} + \frac{n}{(n+2)(n-1)}(w_j^\alpha g_{ik} + w_k^\alpha g_{ij}). \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to get that, $\langle E_{ijk}^\alpha, F_{ijk}^\alpha \rangle = 0$. Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} |E^\alpha|^2 &= \frac{3}{n+2}|\nabla H|^2 + \frac{2n}{(n+2)(n-1)}|w^\alpha|^2 + \frac{4}{n+2}\langle w_i^\alpha, \nabla_i H^\alpha \rangle \\ &\geq \left(\frac{3}{n+2} - \eta\right)|\nabla H^\alpha|^2 - \frac{2}{n+2}\left(\frac{2}{n+2}\eta^{-1} - \frac{n}{n-1}\right)|w^\alpha|^2. \end{aligned}$$

We finish the proof of the Lemma.

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Theorem 3.2. *Suppose M is a Kähler surface with constant holomorphic sectional curvature $k > 0$ and Σ is a symplectic surface in M . Assume that $|A|^2 \leq \frac{2}{3}|H|^2 + \frac{1}{2}k$ and $\cos \alpha \geq \frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}$ holds on the initial surface, then it remains true along the symplectic mean curvature flow.*

Proof. From (2.4) and (2.8), we know that

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) \cos \alpha = |\overline{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \cos \alpha + \frac{3k}{2} \cos \alpha \sin^2 \alpha.$$

Thus at any time t , $\cos \alpha \geq \frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}$ if it holds on the initial surface.

Since M is symmetric, by (2.2) we know that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}|A|^2 &= \Delta|A|^2 - 2|\nabla A|^2 \\ &\quad - 4K_{lijk}h_{lk}^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha + 8K_{\alpha\beta jk}h_{ik}^\beta h_{ij}^\alpha - 4K_{lkik}h_{lj}^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha + 2K_{\alpha k\beta k}h_{ij}^\beta h_{ij}^\alpha \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta, i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^\alpha h_{jk}^\beta - h_{jk}^\alpha h_{ik}^\beta) \right)^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left(\sum_{ij} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ij}^\beta \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Now in our case the first four terms reduce to

$$\begin{aligned} -4K_{lijk}h_{lk}^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha &= -4K_{1212}(h_{12}^\alpha)^2 - 4K_{1221}h_{11}^\alpha h_{22}^\alpha \\ &\quad - 4K_{2112}h_{11}^\alpha h_{22}^\alpha - 4K_{2121}(h_{12}^\alpha)^2 \\ &= -4K_{1212}(2(h_{12}^\alpha)^2 - 2h_{11}^\alpha h_{22}^\alpha) \\ &= -4K_{1212}(|A|^2 - |H|^2), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 8K_{\alpha\beta jk}h_{ik}^\beta h_{ij}^\alpha &= 8K_{3412}h_{i1}^3 h_{i2}^4 + 8K_{3421}h_{i2}^3 h_{i1}^4 \\ &\quad + 8K_{4312}h_{i1}^4 h_{i2}^3 + 8K_{4321}h_{i2}^4 h_{i1}^3 \\ &= 16K_{1234}(h_{1i}^3 h_{2i}^4 - h_{i2}^3 h_{1i}^4) \\ &= 8K_{1234}(|A|^2 - |\overline{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} -4K_{lki k} h_{lj}^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha &= -4K_{1212} (h_{1j}^\alpha)^2 - 4K_{2121} (h_{2j}^\alpha)^2 \\ &= -4K_{1212} |A|^2, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 2K_{\alpha k \beta k} h_{ij}^\beta h_{ij}^\alpha &= 2K_{3k3k} (h_{ij}^3)^2 + 2K_{4k4k} (h_{ij}^4)^2 + 4K_{3k4k} h_{ij}^3 h_{ij}^4 \\ &= 2K_{33} (h_{ij}^3)^2 - 2K_{3434} (h_{ij}^3)^2 \\ &\quad + 2K_{44} (h_{ij}^4)^2 - 2K_{3434} (h_{ij}^4)^2 + 4K_{34} h_{ij}^3 h_{ij}^4 \\ &= 3k |A|^2 - 2K_{3434} |A|^2, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the equality (2.8). Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |A|^2 &= \Delta |A|^2 - 2|\nabla A|^2 \\ &\quad + 8(K_{1234} - K_{1212}) |A|^2 + 3k |A|^2 - 2K_{3434} |A|^2 \\ &\quad + 4K_{1212} |H|^2 - 8K_{1234} |\bar{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta, i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^\alpha h_{jk}^\beta - h_{jk}^\alpha h_{ik}^\beta) \right)^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left(\sum_{ij} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ij}^\beta \right)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Similarly, the evolution equation of $|H|^2$ becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |H|^2 &= \Delta |H|^2 - 2|\nabla H|^2 + 3k |H|^2 - 2K_{3434} |H|^2 \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{ij} \left(\sum_\alpha H^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha \right)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

Using (3.2) we get that,

$$\begin{aligned} K_{1212} &= K_{3434} = \frac{k}{4} (3 \cos^2 \alpha + 1); \\ K_{1234} &= -\frac{k}{4} (z^2 + y^2 - 2x^2) = \frac{k}{4} (3 \cos^2 \alpha - 1). \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

Putting (3.6) into (3.4), we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |A|^2 &= \Delta |A|^2 - 2|\nabla A|^2 - k |A|^2 - \frac{k}{2} (3 \cos^2 \alpha + 1) |A|^2 \\ &\quad + k (3 \cos^2 \alpha + 1) |H|^2 - 2k (3 \cos^2 \alpha - 1) |\bar{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta, i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^\alpha h_{jk}^\beta - h_{jk}^\alpha h_{ik}^\beta) \right)^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left(\sum_{ij} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ij}^\beta \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Using the inequality (2.5) and $\cos \alpha \geq \frac{\sqrt{30}}{6} > \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |A|^2 &\leq \Delta |A|^2 - 2|\nabla A|^2 - k |A|^2 - \frac{k}{2} (3 \cos^2 \alpha + 1) |A|^2 + 2k |H|^2 \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta, i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^\alpha h_{jk}^\beta - h_{jk}^\alpha h_{ik}^\beta) \right)^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left(\sum_{ij} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ij}^\beta \right)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}|H|^2 &= \Delta|H|^2 - 2|\nabla H|^2 + 3k|H|^2 - \frac{k}{2}(3\cos^2\alpha + 1)|H|^2 \\ &\quad + 2\sum_{ij}(\sum_{\alpha} H^{\alpha} h_{ij}^{\alpha})^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Set $Q = |A|^2 - \frac{2}{3}|H|^2 - bk$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}Q &\leq \Delta Q - 2(|\nabla A|^2 - \frac{2}{3}|\nabla H|^2) - k|A|^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{k}{2}(3\cos^2\alpha + 1)(|A|^2 - \frac{2}{3}|H|^2) \\ &\quad + 2\sum_{\alpha,\beta,i,j}(\sum_k(h_{ik}^{\alpha}h_{jk}^{\beta} - h_{jk}^{\alpha}h_{ik}^{\beta}))^2 + 2\sum_{\alpha,\beta}(\sum_{ij}h_{ij}^{\alpha}h_{ij}^{\beta})^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{4}{3}\sum_{ij}(\sum_{\alpha} H^{\alpha} h_{ij}^{\alpha})^2 \\ &\leq \Delta Q - 2(|\nabla A|^2 - \frac{2}{3}|\nabla H|^2) - \frac{k}{2}(3\cos^2\alpha + 1)Q \\ &\quad - \frac{bk^2}{2}(3\cos^2\alpha + 1) - k|A|^2 \\ &\quad + 2\sum_{\alpha,\beta,i,j}(\sum_k(h_{ik}^{\alpha}h_{jk}^{\beta} - h_{jk}^{\alpha}h_{ik}^{\beta}))^2 + 2\sum_{\alpha,\beta}(\sum_{ij}h_{ij}^{\alpha}h_{ij}^{\beta})^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{4}{3}\sum_{ij}(\sum_{\alpha} H^{\alpha} h_{ij}^{\alpha})^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

First we estimate the gradient terms in (3.9). In (3.3) we choose $\eta = \frac{1}{12}, n = 2$, then

$$|\nabla A|^2 \geq \frac{2}{3}|\nabla H|^2 - 2|w|^2,$$

where

$$|w|^2 = K_{3212}^2 + K_{3121}^2 + K_{4121}^2 + K_{4212}^2.$$

Using (3.2) again, we obtain that

$$|w|^2 = \frac{9k^2}{8}(x^2z^2 + x^2y^2) = \frac{9k^2}{8}x^2(1 - x^2) = \frac{9k^2}{8}\cos^2\alpha\sin^2\alpha.$$

Thus

$$|\nabla A|^2 \geq \frac{2}{3}|\nabla H|^2 - \frac{9k^2}{4}\cos^2\alpha\sin^2\alpha. \quad (3.10)$$

In order to estimate the other terms in (3.9) we do the same way as in [1]. Set $R_1 = \sum_{\alpha,\beta,i,j}(\sum_k(h_{ik}^{\alpha}h_{jk}^{\beta} - h_{jk}^{\alpha}h_{ik}^{\beta}))^2$, $R_2 = \sum_{\alpha,\beta}(\sum_{ij}h_{ij}^{\alpha}h_{ij}^{\beta})^2$, $R_3 = \sum_{ij}(\sum_{\alpha} H^{\alpha} h_{ij}^{\alpha})^2$. At the point $|H| \neq 0$, we choose $\{e_3, e_4\}$ for $N\Sigma$ such that $e_3 = H/|H|$ and choose the $\{e_1, e_2\}$ for $T\Sigma$ such that $h_{ij}^3 = \lambda_i\delta_{ij}$. Set $h_{ij}^{\alpha} = \mathring{h}_{ij}^{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2}H^{\alpha}g_{ij}$, then $\mathring{h}_{ij}^4 = h_{ij}^4$, $\mathring{h}_{ij}^3 =$

$h_{ij}^3 - \frac{1}{2}|H|g_{ij}$. Since (h_{ij}^3) is diagonal, we see (\mathring{h}_{ij}^3) is also diagonal. Set $(\mathring{h}_{ij}^3) = \mathring{\lambda}_i \delta_{ij}$. Denote the norm of $(h_{ij}^\alpha), (\mathring{h}_{ij}^\alpha)$ by $|h_\alpha|, |\mathring{h}_\alpha|$ respectively. R_1, R_2, R_3 reduce to

$$\begin{aligned} R_2 &= \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left(\sum_{ij} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ij}^\beta \right)^2 = |\mathring{h}_3|^4 + |\mathring{h}_4|^4 + |\mathring{h}_3|^2 |H|^2 + \frac{1}{4} |H|^4 \\ &\quad + 2 \left(\sum_{ij} \mathring{h}_{ij}^3 \mathring{h}_{ij}^4 \right)^2; \\ R_1 &= \sum_{\alpha, \beta, i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^\alpha h_{jk}^\beta - h_{jk}^\alpha h_{ik}^\beta) \right)^2 = 2 \sum_{i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^3 \mathring{h}_{jk}^4 - h_{jk}^3 \mathring{h}_{ik}^4) \right)^2; \\ R_3 &= \sum_{ij} \left(\sum_\alpha H^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha \right)^2 = |\mathring{h}_3|^2 |H|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |H|^4. \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that (\mathring{h}_{ij}^3) is diagonal, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{ij} \mathring{h}_{ij}^3 \mathring{h}_{ij}^4 \right)^2 &= \left(\sum_i \mathring{\lambda}_i \mathring{h}_{ii}^4 \right)^2 \\ &\leq \left(\sum_i \mathring{\lambda}_i^2 \right) \left(\sum_i (\mathring{h}_{ii}^4)^2 \right) = |\mathring{h}_3|^2 \sum_i (\mathring{h}_{ii}^4)^2, \\ \sum_{i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^3 \mathring{h}_{jk}^4 - h_{jk}^3 \mathring{h}_{ik}^4) \right)^2 &= \sum_{i \neq j} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j)^2 (\mathring{h}_{ij}^4)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i \neq j} (\mathring{\lambda}_i - \mathring{\lambda}_j)^2 (\mathring{h}_{ij}^4)^2 \\ &\leq \sum_{i \neq j} 2(\mathring{\lambda}_i^2 + \mathring{\lambda}_j^2)^2 (\mathring{h}_{ij}^4)^2 \\ &\leq 2|\mathring{h}_3|^2 \sum_{i \neq j} (\mathring{h}_{ij}^4)^2 \\ &= 2|\mathring{h}_3|^2 (|\mathring{h}_4|^2 - \sum_i (\mathring{h}_{ii}^4)^2), \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\left(\sum_{ij} \mathring{h}_{ij}^3 \mathring{h}_{ij}^4 \right)^2 + \sum_{i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^3 \mathring{h}_{jk}^4 - h_{jk}^3 \mathring{h}_{ik}^4) \right)^2 \leq 2|\mathring{h}_3|^2 |\mathring{h}_4|^2.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} 2R_1 + 2R_2 - \frac{4}{3}R_3 &\leq 2|\mathring{h}_3|^4 + 2|\mathring{h}_4|^4 + \frac{2}{3}|\mathring{h}_3|^2 |H|^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{6} |H|^4 + 8|\mathring{h}_3|^2 |\mathring{h}_4|^2. \end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

Using these inequalities together with (3.10), we obtain that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q \leq \Delta Q + \frac{9k^2}{2} \cos^2 \alpha \sin^2 \alpha - \frac{k}{2} (3 \cos^2 \alpha + 1) Q$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{bk^2}{2}(3\cos^2\alpha + 1) - k|A|^2 \\
& + 2|\dot{h}_3|^4 + 2|\dot{h}_4|^4 + \frac{2}{3}|\dot{h}_3|^2|H|^2 - \frac{1}{6}|H|^4 + 8|\dot{h}_3|^2|\dot{h}_4|^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Sine $|H|^2 = 6(|\dot{h}_3|^2 + |\dot{h}_4|^2 - Q - bk)$, putting it into the above inequality we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial t}Q & \leq \Delta Q - 6Q^2 \\
& + [8|\dot{h}_3|^2 + 12|\dot{h}_4|^2 - 12bk + 3k - \frac{3k}{2}(\cos^2\alpha + 1)]Q \\
& - \frac{bk^2}{2}(3\cos^2\alpha + 1) + \frac{9k^2}{2}\cos^2\alpha\sin^2\alpha + 3bk^2 - 6b^2k^2 \\
& - 4|\dot{h}_4|^4 + 4k(2b-1)|\dot{h}_3|^2 + 4k(3b-1)|\dot{h}_4|^2 \\
& \leq \Delta Q - 6Q^2 \\
& + [8|\dot{h}_3|^2 + 12|\dot{h}_4|^2 - 12bk + 3k - \frac{3k}{2}(\cos^2\alpha + 1)]Q \\
& + 4k(2b-1)|\dot{h}_3|^2 - (2|\dot{h}_4|^2 - k(3b-1))^2 + k^2(3b-1)^2 \\
& - \frac{bk^2}{2}(3\cos^2\alpha + 1) + \frac{9k^2}{2}\cos^2\alpha\sin^2\alpha + 3bk^2 - 6b^2k^2 \\
& \leq \Delta Q - 6Q^2 + [8|\dot{h}_3|^2 + 12|\dot{h}_4|^2 - 12bk + 3k - \frac{3k}{2}(\cos^2\alpha + 1)]Q \\
& - (2|\dot{h}_4|^2 - k(3b-1))^2 + 4k(2b-1)|\dot{h}_3|^2 \\
& + k^2(3b^2 - \frac{7}{2}b + 1) + k^2\cos^2\alpha(\frac{9}{2}\sin^2\alpha - \frac{3}{2}b).
\end{aligned}$$

If $2b-1 \leq 0$ and $3b^2 - \frac{7}{2}b + 1 \leq 0$, then b must be equal to $\frac{1}{2}$. If $\frac{9}{2}\sin^2\alpha - \frac{3}{2}b \leq 0$, then $\sin^2\alpha \leq \frac{1}{6}$, i.e., $\cos^2\alpha \geq \frac{5}{6}$.

At the point $|H| = 0$, we use the following inequality (see [17], [13]),

$$2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta, i, j} (\sum_k (h_{ik}^\alpha h_{jk}^\beta - h_{jk}^\alpha h_{ik}^\beta))^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta} (\sum_{ij} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ij}^\beta)^2 \leq 3|A|^4. \quad (3.12)$$

Thus, using (3.10) and (3.9) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial t}Q & \leq \Delta Q + \frac{9k^2}{2}\cos^2\alpha\sin^2\alpha - k|A|^2 \\
& - \frac{k}{2}(3\cos^2\alpha + 1)|A|^2 + 3|A|^4.
\end{aligned}$$

Since $|H| = 0$, we have $|A|^2 = Q + bk$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial t}Q & \leq \Delta Q + \frac{9k^2}{2}\cos^2\alpha\sin^2\alpha \\
& - \frac{3k}{2}(\cos^2\alpha + 1)(Q + bk) + 3(Q + bk)^2.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \Delta Q + \frac{9k^2}{2} \cos^2 \alpha \sin^2 \alpha \\
&\quad + [3(|A|^2 + bk) - \frac{3k}{2}(\cos^2 \alpha + 1)]Q \\
&\quad - \frac{bk^2}{2}(\cos^2 \alpha + 1) + 3b^2k^2 \\
&\leq \Delta Q + [3(|A|^2 + bk) - \frac{3k}{2}(\cos^2 \alpha + 1)]Q \\
&\quad + 3bk^2(b - \frac{1}{2}) + k^2 \cos^2 \alpha (\frac{9}{2} \sin^2 \alpha - \frac{3b}{2}). \tag{3.13}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we need choose $b \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and $\sin^2 \alpha \leq b/3$.

Therefore, we choose $b = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\cos^2 \alpha \geq \frac{5}{6}$. Then we have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q \leq \Delta Q + CQ.$$

Applying the maximum principle for parabolic equation, we see that

$$Q \leq 0$$

if it holds on initial surface.

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Remark 3.3. During reading our paper, Yang Liuqing found the condition that $|A|^2 \leq \lambda|H|^2 + \frac{2\lambda-1}{\lambda}k$ and $\cos \alpha \geq \sqrt{\frac{7\lambda-3}{3\lambda}}$ ($1/2 \leq \lambda \leq 2/3$) is preserved by the symplectic mean curvature flow.

4. LONG TIME EXISTENCE AND CONVERGENCE

In this section we prove the long time existence of the symplectic mean curvature flow under the assumption of Theorem 3.2.

Theorem 4.1. Under the assumption of Theorem 3.2, the symplectic mean curvature flow exists for long time.

Proof. Suppose f is a positive function which will be determined later. Now we compute the evolution equation of $\frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) \frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)} &= \frac{(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta)|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)} - \frac{|H|^2 f'(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta) \cos \alpha}{f^2(\cos \alpha)} \\
&\quad + \frac{|H|^2 f'' |\nabla \cos \alpha|^2}{f^2(\cos \alpha)} + 2 \frac{f' \nabla \cos \alpha}{f} \cdot \nabla \frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)}.
\end{aligned}$$

It follows that,

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) \cos \alpha &= |\bar{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \cos \alpha + \frac{3}{2} k \sin^2 \alpha \cos \alpha \\
&\geq |\bar{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \cos \alpha.
\end{aligned}$$

By (3.8) and $\cos^2 \alpha \geq \frac{5}{6}$, we have

$$(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta)|H|^2 \leq \frac{5k}{4}|H|^2 + 2|H|^2|A|^2.$$

Putting the above inequality into the evolution equation of $\frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)}$, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} & (\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta) \frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)} \leq 2 \frac{f' \nabla \cos \alpha}{f} \cdot \nabla \frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)} \\ & + \frac{f(\frac{5k}{4}|H|^2 + 2|H|^2|A|^2) - |H|^2 f' |\overline{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \cos \alpha + |H|^2 f'' |\nabla \cos \alpha|^2}{f^2(\cos \alpha)} \\ & \leq 2 \frac{f' \nabla \cos \alpha}{f} \cdot \nabla \frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)} \\ & + \frac{f(\frac{5k}{4}|H|^2 + 2|H|^2(\frac{2}{3}|H|^2 + \frac{k}{2})) - |H|^2 f' |\overline{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \cos \alpha + |H|^2 f'' |\nabla \cos \alpha|^2}{f^2(\cos \alpha)} \\ & \leq 2 \frac{f' \nabla \cos \alpha}{f} \cdot \nabla \frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)} + \frac{9k}{4} \frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)} \\ & + \frac{\frac{4}{3}f|H|^4 - \frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}|H|^2 f' |\overline{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 + \frac{1}{6}|H|^2 f'' |\overline{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2}{f^2(\cos \alpha)}, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used (2.6), $\sin^2 \alpha \leq \frac{1}{6}$ and we assume $f' > 0, f'' > 0$. We want to find f such that

$$\frac{4}{3}f|H|^2 - (\frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}f' - \frac{1}{6}f'')|\overline{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \leq 0.$$

We will find f such that $\frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}f' - \frac{1}{6}f'' \geq 0$. Noticing (2.5), it suffice to have

$$\frac{4}{3}f|H|^2 - \frac{1}{12}(\sqrt{30}f' - f'')|H|^2 \leq 0,$$

i.e,

$$\frac{4}{3}f - \frac{1}{12}(\sqrt{30}f' - f'') \leq 0.$$

Set $g = \frac{f'}{f}$, then $\frac{f''}{f} = g' + g^2$, then it reduces to solve the inequality

$$\frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{30}}{12}g + \frac{1}{12}g^2 + \frac{1}{12}g' \leq 0, \quad x \in [\frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}, 1],$$

and

$$g' + g^2 \geq 0, \quad x \in [\frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}, 1].$$

Assume that $g = -16x + b$, where b is a constant, then it reduces to solve

$$4 < -16x + b \leq \sqrt{30}, \quad x \in [\frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}, 1].$$

Therefore we choose b such that

$$20 \leq b \leq 8\frac{\sqrt{30}}{3} + \sqrt{30}.$$

We can choose $b = 20$, i.e.,

$$f = e^{-8x^2+20x}.$$

Thus

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) \frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)} \leq 2 \frac{f' \nabla \cos \alpha}{f} \cdot \nabla \frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)} + \frac{9}{4} k \frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)}.$$

This implies that

$$\frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)} \leq e^{\frac{9k}{4}t} \frac{|H|^2}{f(\cos \alpha)}(0).$$

Since $\frac{\sqrt{30}}{6} \leq \cos \alpha \leq 1$, $f(x)$ is bounded in $[\frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}, 1]$, we have

$$|H|^2 \leq C_0 e^{\frac{9k}{4}t},$$

where C_0 depends only on $\max_{\Sigma_0} |H|^2$. Pinching inequality implies $|A|^2 \leq C_0 e^{\frac{9k}{4}t} + \frac{k}{2}$. We finish the proof of the theorem. Q. E. D.

Remark 4.2. *It was pointed out by Yang Liuqing that we could choose the linear function $f = x - \frac{3}{4}$ in the proof of the above theorem.*

Theorem 4.3. *Under the assumption of Theorem 3.2, the symplectic mean curvature flow converges to a holomorphic curve.*

Proof. We can rewrite the evolution equation of $\cos \alpha$

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) \cos \alpha = |\overline{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \cos \alpha + \frac{3k}{2} \cos \alpha \sin^2 \alpha.$$

as

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) \sin^2(\alpha/2) = -|\overline{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \cos \alpha - 6k \sin^2(\alpha/2) \cos^2(\alpha/2) \cos \alpha \quad (4.1)$$

$$\leq -c \sin^2(\alpha/2), \quad (4.2)$$

where $c > 0$ depends only on k and the lower bound of $\cos \alpha$. Applying the maximum principle, we get that $\sin^2(\alpha/2) \leq e^{-ct}$. By Theorem 4.1 we know that the symplectic mean curvature flow exists for long time. Thus for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists T such that as $t > T$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \alpha &\geq 1 - \varepsilon, \\ \sin \alpha &\leq 2\varepsilon, \\ |\nabla \cos \alpha|^2 &\leq 2\varepsilon |\overline{\nabla} J_{\Sigma_t}|^2 \leq 4\varepsilon |A|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right) \cos \alpha &\geq \frac{1}{2} |H|^2 \cos \alpha + \frac{3}{2} k \sin^2 \alpha \cos \alpha \\ &\geq \left(\frac{3}{4} |A|^2 - \frac{3k}{8}\right) \cos \alpha + \frac{3}{2} k \sin^2 \alpha \cos \alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\geq \frac{3}{4}(1-\varepsilon)|A|^2 - \frac{3k}{8}. \quad (4.4)$$

From (3.4) we see that

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right)|A|^2 \leq -2|\nabla A|^2 + C_1|A|^4 + C_2|A|^2 + C_3,$$

where C_1, C_2, C_3 are constants that depend on the bounds of the curvature tensor of M .

Let $p > 1$ be a constant to be fixed later. For simplicity, we set $u = \cos \alpha$. Now we consider the function $\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right)\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}} &= 2\nabla\left(\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}}\right) \cdot \frac{\nabla e^{pu}}{e^{pu}} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{e^{2pu}}[e^{pu}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right)|A|^2 - |A|^2\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right)e^{pu}] \\ &\leq 2p\nabla\left(\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}}\right) \cdot \nabla u \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{e^{2pu}}[e^{pu}(C_1|A|^4 + C_2|A|^2 + C_3) \\ &\quad - p|A|^2 e^{pu}[\frac{3}{4}(1-\varepsilon)|A|^2 - \frac{3k}{8} - p|\nabla u|^2]]. \end{aligned}$$

Using (4.3) we obtain that,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right)\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}} &\leq 2p\nabla\left(\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}}\right) \cdot \nabla u \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{e^{pu}}[(C_1 - \frac{3p}{4}(1-\varepsilon) + 4p^2\varepsilon)|A|^4 + C_4|A|^2 + C_3]. \end{aligned}$$

Set $p^2 = 1/\varepsilon$, then

$$C_1 - \frac{3p}{4}(1-\varepsilon) + 4p^2\varepsilon = C_1 - \frac{3}{4}\varepsilon^{-\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{3}{4}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} + 4.$$

As t is sufficiently large, i.e. ε is sufficiently close to 0, we have

$$(C_1 - \frac{3}{4}\varepsilon^{-\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{3}{4}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} + 4) \leq -1.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right)\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}} &\leq 2p\nabla\left(\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}}\right) \cdot \nabla u - \frac{|A|^4}{e^{pu}} + C_4\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}} + \frac{C_3}{e^{pu}} \\ &\leq 2p\nabla\left(\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}}\right) \cdot \nabla u - \frac{|A|^4}{e^{2pu}} + C_4\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}} + \frac{C_3}{e^{pu}} \end{aligned}$$

Applying the maximum principle for parabolic equations, we conclude that $\frac{|A|^2}{e^{pu}}$ is uniformly bounded, thus $|A|^2$ is also uniformly bounded. Thus $F(\cdot, t)$ converges to F_∞ in C^2 as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Since $\sin^2(\alpha/2) \leq e^{-ct}$, we have $\cos \alpha \equiv 1$ at infinity. Thus the limiting surface F_∞ is a holomorphic curve.

Q. E. D.

5. ANOTHER PINCHING ESTIMATE

In this section, we will derive another pinching condition.

Theorem 5.1. *Suppose M is a Kähler surface with constant holomorphic sectional curvature $k > 0$ and Σ is a symplectic surface in M . Assume that $|A|^2 \leq \frac{2}{3}|H|^2 + \frac{4}{5}k \cos \alpha$ and $\cos \alpha \geq \frac{251}{265}$ holds on the initial surface, then it remains true along the symplectic mean curvature flow. Furthermore, the symplectic mean curvature flow exists for long time and converges to a holomorphic curve at infinity.*

Proof. From (3.7), (3.8), we see that,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}|A|^2 &\leq \Delta|A|^2 - 2|\nabla A|^2 - k|A|^2 - \frac{k}{2}(3\cos^2 \alpha + 1)|A|^2 + 2k|H|^2 \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta, i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^\alpha h_{jk}^\beta - h_{jk}^\alpha h_{ik}^\beta) \right)^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left(\sum_{ij} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ij}^\beta \right)^2, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}|H|^2 &= \Delta|H|^2 - 2|\nabla H|^2 + 3k|H|^2 - \frac{k}{2}(3\cos^2 \alpha + 1)|H|^2 \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{ij} \left(\sum_\alpha H^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Set $Q = |A|^2 - \frac{2}{3}|H|^2 - bk \cos \alpha$. Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}Q &\leq \Delta Q - 2(|\nabla A|^2 - \frac{2}{3}|\nabla H|^2) - k|A|^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{k}{2}(3\cos^2 \alpha + 1)(|A|^2 - \frac{2}{3}|H|^2) \\ &\quad - bk(|\bar{\nabla}_{\Sigma_t} J|^2 \cos \alpha + \frac{3}{2}k \cos \alpha \sin^2 \alpha) \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta, i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^\alpha h_{jk}^\beta - h_{jk}^\alpha h_{ik}^\beta) \right)^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left(\sum_{ij} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ij}^\beta \right)^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{4}{3} \sum_{ij} \left(\sum_\alpha H^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha \right)^2 \\ &\leq \Delta Q - 2(|\nabla A|^2 - \frac{2}{3}|\nabla H|^2) - \frac{k}{2}(3\cos^2 \alpha + 1)Q \\ &\quad - 2bk^2 \cos \alpha - k|A|^2 - \frac{bk}{2} \cos \alpha |H|^2 \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta, i, j} \left(\sum_k (h_{ik}^\alpha h_{jk}^\beta - h_{jk}^\alpha h_{ik}^\beta) \right)^2 + 2 \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \left(\sum_{ij} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ij}^\beta \right)^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{4}{3} \sum_{ij} \left(\sum_\alpha H^\alpha h_{ij}^\alpha \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

By an argument similar to the one used in the proof of Theorem 3.2, at the point $H \neq 0$ we can get that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q &\leq \Delta Q + \frac{9k^2}{2} \cos^2 \alpha \sin^2 \alpha - \frac{k}{2} (3 \cos^2 \alpha + 1) Q \\ &\quad - 2bk^2 \cos \alpha - k|A|^2 - \frac{bk}{2} \cos \alpha |H|^2 \\ &\quad + 2|\dot{h}_3|^4 + 2|\dot{h}_4|^4 + \frac{2}{3} |\dot{h}_3|^2 |H|^2 - \frac{1}{6} |H|^4 + 8|\dot{h}_3|^2 |\dot{h}_4|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since $|H|^2 = 6(|\dot{h}_3|^2 + |\dot{h}_4|^2 - Q - bk \cos \alpha)$, putting it into the above inequality we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q &\leq \Delta Q - 6Q^2 \\ &\quad + [8|\dot{h}_3|^2 + 12|\dot{h}_4|^2 - 9bk \cos \alpha + 3k - \frac{k}{2} (3 \cos^2 \alpha + 1)] Q \\ &\quad + \frac{9k^2}{2} \cos^2 \alpha \sin^2 \alpha + bk^2 \cos \alpha - 3b^2 k^2 \cos^2 \alpha \\ &\quad - 4|\dot{h}_4|^2 + k(5b \cos \alpha - 4)|\dot{h}_3|^2 + k(9b \cos \alpha - 4)|\dot{h}_4|^2 \\ &\leq \Delta Q - 6Q^2 \\ &\quad + [8|\dot{h}_3|^2 + 12|\dot{h}_4|^2 - 9bk \cos \alpha + 3k - \frac{k}{2} (3 \cos^2 \alpha + 1)] Q \\ &\quad + k(5b \cos \alpha - 4)|\dot{h}_3|^2 - (2|\dot{h}_4|^2 - \frac{k}{4} (9b \cos \alpha - 4))^2 + \frac{k^2}{16} (9b \cos \alpha - 4)^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{9k^2}{2} \cos^2 \alpha \sin^2 \alpha + bk^2 \cos \alpha - 3b^2 k^2 \cos^2 \alpha \\ &\leq \Delta Q - 6Q^2 \\ &\quad + [8|\dot{h}_3|^2 + 12|\dot{h}_4|^2 - 9bk \cos \alpha + 3k - \frac{k}{2} (3 \cos^2 \alpha + 1)] Q \\ &\quad + k(5b \cos \alpha - 4)|\dot{h}_3|^2 - (2|\dot{h}_4|^2 - \frac{k}{4} (9b \cos \alpha - 4))^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{k^2}{16} (33b^2 \cos^2 \alpha - 56b \cos \alpha + 16 + 72 \cos^2 \alpha \sin^2 \alpha) \end{aligned} \tag{5.1}$$

Now we need choose b and the lower bound of $\cos \alpha$ such that $5b \cos \alpha - 4 \leq 0$ and

$$33b^2 \cos^2 \alpha - 56b \cos \alpha + 16 + 72 \cos^2 \alpha \sin^2 \alpha \leq 0.$$

First we choose $b = \frac{4}{5}$, then we need

$$33 \times \frac{16}{25} \cos^2 \alpha - 56 \times \frac{4}{5} \cos \alpha + 16 + 72 \cos^2 \alpha \sin^2 \alpha \leq 0. \tag{5.2}$$

Assume that $\cos \alpha \geq \delta$. If

$$33 \times \frac{16}{25} \cos^2 \alpha - 56 \times \frac{4}{5} \cos \alpha + 16 + 72(1 - \cos^2 \alpha) \leq 0 \tag{5.3}$$

holds, then (5.2) holds. Solving (5.3), we get that

$$\delta \geq \frac{251}{265}. \quad (5.4)$$

At the point $H = 0$, using (3.12), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right)Q &\leq \frac{9}{2}k^2 \sin^2 \alpha \cos^2 \alpha - \frac{k}{2}(3 \cos^2 \alpha + 1)Q \\ &\quad - 2bk^2 \cos \alpha - k|A|^2 + 3|A|^4. \end{aligned}$$

Putting $|A|^2 = Q + bk \cos \alpha$ into the above inequality, we get that,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta\right)Q &\leq [3(|A|^2 - bk \cos \alpha) + 6bk \cos \alpha - k - \frac{k}{2}(3 \cos^2 \alpha + 1)]Q \\ &\quad + \frac{9}{2}k^2 \sin^2 \alpha \cos^2 \alpha - 3bk^2 \cos \alpha + 3b^2k^2 \cos^2 \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Choose $b = \frac{4}{5}$ and assume that $\cos \alpha \geq \delta$, then we need

$$\frac{9}{2}(1 - \cos^2 \alpha) - \frac{12}{5} \cos \alpha + \frac{48}{25} \cos^2 \alpha \leq 0.$$

Solving it we get that

$$\delta \geq \frac{121}{129}. \quad (5.5)$$

Compare (5.4) and (5.5), we choose $\delta \geq \frac{251}{265}$ and $b = \frac{4}{5}$.

The global existence and convergence of the symplectic mean curvature flow can be proved in a similar manner as the one used in the proof of Theorem 4.1 and Theorem 4.3. Q. E. D.

Remark 5.2. *It is clear that the pinching condition $|A|^2 \leq \frac{2}{3}|H|^2 + \frac{4}{5}k \cos \alpha$ is better than the condition that $|A|^2 \leq \frac{2}{3}|H|^2 + \frac{1}{2}k$. On the other hand, the condition $\cos \alpha \geq \frac{\sqrt{30}}{6}$ is better than $\cos \alpha \geq \frac{251}{265}$.*

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